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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2005–06 REGULAR SESSION

#### ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1469

### **Introduced by Assembly Member Negrete McLeod**

February 22, 2005

An act to add Article 1.5 (commencing with Section 18606.1) to Chapter 5 of Part 2.1 of Division 13 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to mobilehome parks.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1469, as amended, Negrete McLeod. Mobilehome parks: managers: training.

Existing law governs the administration and management of mobilehome parks, as specified. The Mobilehome Parks Act makes it a misdemeanor to willfully violate any of its provisions.

This bill would add provisions to the act to require a park manager who manages a mobilehome park with 50 or more spaces to complete at least 3 hours of educational programs every year and would require a park manager who is newly hired on or after January 1, 2008, and lacks the requisite educational requirement to complete 5 hours of educational programs within 12 months following employment. The bill would require each provider to furnish to each person who completes the program a certificate of completion and would require the park manager to post proof of completion and compliance with the educational program requirements in the mobilehome park clubhouse or in another conspicuous place within the mobilehome park. The bill would authorize the department to assess a civil penalty, not to exceed

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\$500, against an owner if the department finds that the owner or operator has not made a good faith effort to comply with these requirements. Because a willful violation of these provisions would also be a misdemeanor, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Article 1.5 (commencing with Section 18606.1) is added to Chapter 5 of Part 2.1 of Division 13 of the Health and Safety Code, to read:

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## Article 1.5. Continuing Education of Park Managers

18606.1. A park manager who manages a mobilehome park with 50 or more spaces shall complete at least three hours of educational programs every year. A park manager who is newly hired on or after January 1, 2008, and lacks the requisite educational requirement shall complete five hours of educational programs within 12 months following employment as a park manager in a park with 50 or more spaces. manager. If a mobilehome park does not employ a park manager, the park owner or operator shall complete the requisite educational requirement. A park manager who is also a common interest development manager, as defined in Section 11501 of the Business and Professions Code, shall be deemed to meet the requirements of this article if he or she satisfies the training requirements set forth in Section 11502 of the Business and Professions Code.

18606.2. "Park manager" means a person who is primarily responsible for the normal ongoing onsite management of the

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1 mobilehome park. This person may, but is not required to, be the 2 individual referenced in Section 18603.

- 18606.3. (a) At least one hour of instruction shall include instruction in new laws or existing statutes affecting this part, the Mobilehome Residency Law (Chapter 2.5 (commencing with Section 798) of Title 2 of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Civil Code), or Title 25 of the Code of California Regulations.
- (b) Other areas of instruction may include, but are not limited to, information relating to all of the following:
  - (1) Leases and rental agreements.
  - (2) Ethics.

- (3) Unlawful detainers and eviction proceedings.
- (4) The resolution of complaints and disputes concerning landlords and tenants.
- (5) The adoption and enforcement of the rules and regulations of a manufactured housing community.
  - (6) General issues relating to property management.
- (c) Classes should be administered with an emphasis on teaching participants skills to resolve complaints and disputes with tenants.
- (d) An educational program required for the issuance or renewal of a real estate license pursuant to Part 1 (commencing with Section 10000) of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code satisfies the requirements of this article.
- 18606.4. "Educational program" means a class, workshop, electronic media, or educational seminar that primarily instructs participants on issues dealing with the operation of a mobilehome park and that is sponsored by a professional or nonprofit organization, including those whose sole or primary purpose is the advocacy and promotion of the manufactured housing and the education of persons who work in the manufactured housing industry.
- 18606.5. The Department of Housing and Community Development, a trade association, or instructor is not liable for the conduct of a landlord, manager, owner, or other person who attends a continuing education program under this article. This article does not create a cause of action against the department, a trade association, or instructor related to the continuing education program.

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1 18606.6. Each provider shall furnish to each person who 2 completes the program required by this article a certificate of 3 completion. The certificate must include:

- 4 (a) The name of the participant.
- 5 (b) The subject matter.

- (c) The name of the instructor of the course.
- 7 (d) The number of hours of instruction completed.
  - (e) The date the course was given.

18606.7. A park manager shall post proof of completion and compliance with the educational program requirements prescribed by this article in the mobilehome park clubhouse or in another conspicuous place within the mobilehome park. The park owner may keep copies on file for proof of compliance with this article.

18606.8. The department may assess a civil penalty against an owner if the department finds that the owner or operator has not made a good faith effort to comply with this article. The civil penalty may not exceed five hundred dollars (\$500).

SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.